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Board of Veterinary Medicine

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BOARD MEETING

OPEN SESSION

MEETING MINUTES

April 30, 2015

9:30am-10:30am

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BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:		
	ARUNA NOON KAMPANI, DVM -CHAIRPERSON	P
	LISA LAFONTAINE- VICE CHAIRPERSON CONSUMER MEMBER	P
	LEANNE LIPTON, BS, DVM, CVA, CVSMT, CVC, CVTN, CVFT-BOARD MEMBER	P
	ASHLEY GALLAGHER, DVM-BOARD MEMBER	P
STAFF:	RIKIN S. MEHTA, PharmD, JD, LLM- SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR	EA
	VITO DELVENTO, DVM, MS-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	P
*KEY CODES	EMILIA MORAN, INVESTIGATOR	P
P-PRESENT A-ABSENT EA-EXCUSED ABSENCE	SHAKIRA RICHARDSON, INVESTIGATOR	EA Field work
	ANTOINETTE STOKES, HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	P
	DIANE MOORER, IT SPECIALIST	P
LEGAL STAFF:	PANRAVEE VONGJAROENRAT, ESQ, BOARD ATTORNEY	P

CASE ASSIGNMENTS:

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<u>BOARD MEMBERS:</u>	
DR. ARUNA NOON KAMPANI (AK)	OS-0430-01, OS-0430-06, OS-0430-09, OS-0430-10, OS-0430-11 0430-12, OS-430-13
LISA LAFONTAINE (LL)	OS-0430-09, OS-0430-10, OS-0430-11, OS-0430-12, OS-0430-13
DR. LEANNE LIPTON (DLL)	OS-0430-09, OS-0430-10, OS-0430-11, OS-0430-12, OS-0430-13
DR. ASHLEY GALLAGHER (AG)	OS-0430-09, OS-0430-10, OS-0430-11, OS-0430-12, OS-0430-13
<u>BOV STAFF:</u>	
RIKIN S. MEHTA, PharmD, JD, LLM (RM)	OS-0430-02
DR. VITO DELVENTO (VDV)	OS-0430-03, OS-0430-08, OS-0430-09, OS-0430-10, OS-0430-11, OS-0430-12, OS-0430-13
EMILIA MORAN (EM)	OS-0430-9, OS-0430-10, OS-0430-11, OS-0430-12
PANRAVEE VONGJAROENRAT (PV)	OS-0430-05, OS-0430-13
SHAKIRA RICHARDSON (SR)	OS-0430-04
ANTOINETTE STOKES (AS)	OS-0430-09, OS-0430-14

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OS-0430-01 AK	<u>INTRODUCTION-REPORTS</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. CALL TO ORDER-9:30 AM2. PRESIDING- Dr. Noon Kampani3. MEMBERS PRESENT- Note list above4. QUORUM-Yes5. STAFF PRESENT-Note list above	
OS-0430-02	<u>SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S REPORT-SDD</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. DelVento informed the Board that Dr. Mehta (SDD) is on scheduled leave today.• Dr. DelVento (ED) stated that the main Conference Room renovation and newly installed high tech systems are experiencing some glitches. The issues are its functionalities and there is not enough memory capacity to live stream/ record the entire Board meeting. However, the concerns/issues have been brought to the appropriate staff member's attention therefore; they should be resolved by the next scheduled Board meeting.	RM
OS-0430-03	<u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT-ED</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Census Report-273• Dr. DelVento shared with the Board that there are 273 licensees under their purview.• Dr. DelVento informed the Board that he was in attendance of the Budget hearing held last week by Yvette Alexander (Chair) committee on health and the meeting went very well. And he also stated that there is a very strong support for animal related programs in the District throughout the council members as a whole.• Dr. DelVento also informed the Board that both the	VDV



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	<p>Mayor and the Director are new therefore, various animal groups have reached out to them to let them know their platform pertaining to animals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. DelVento also stated that the Office of Boards and Commission is now known as the Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA). MOTA is the office that handles all Board related matters and it appears to be an issue pertaining to having potential Board members sworn in, in a timely manner. He also stated that he understands that the staff members within MOTA are relatively new and wanted to give them an opportunity to get orientated with their jobs. However, it is now impacting the Board because he wants to ensure that the Board can hold their regular scheduled meetings with a full quorum. Therefore, he will make contact with MOTA again soon with hopes of getting an update on the status of pending potential Board members. His main concern is he does not want them to lose interest in becoming Board members due to the long turn-around-time of them being sworn in.	
OS-0430-04	<p><u>ANIMAL SERVICES PROGRAM REPORT-ASP</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. DelVento informed the Board that this weekend is our first Animal Health Fair (Ward 1 and 2) and this will also be the launch of the ASP new online dog licensing system. DC dog owners can go online to license their pets and once the information has been uploaded into the agencies website the assigned staff member can go online to verify the owner's documents. Once all documents have been verified staff will mail them their dog license(s).• He also informed the Board that the DOH has partnered with the State Animal Response Team (SART) and they will assist DOH in the event of an animal emergency. He further mentioned that the implementation of SART is in the early stages and he will update the Board periodically as information becomes available. SART also needs volunteers or additional committee members as it will be helpful if	SR



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	<p>any Board member will be a part of SART.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• He also stated that the Zoonotic program will begin June 1, 2015, which falls under the umbrella of ASP as well. He also stated that Ms. Maria Hille, Supervisory Biologist will introduce a new pilot program and that will entail educating DC residents on how to alleviate the breeding of mosquitoes. And there is a real issue in East Greenland Gardens located east of the river. The apartment complex is close to a river and the water is attracting the mosquitoes. He further stated that the resident in that area have been educated/advised to keep the grass cut and to avoid any standing water those are the two main elements that attract mosquitoes.	
OS-0430-05	<p><u>BOARD COUNSELOR'S REPORT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Board attorney shared with the Board two law suits that followed on the tail of the North Carolina Board of Dentistry and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). The two law suits currently pending concerns the boards of medicine in Texas and Mississippi. However, these two boards are very different from DC boards; the TX and MS boards have more independent rulemaking authority and therefore are likely more vulnerable to antitrust challenges.	PV
OS-0430-06 AK	<p><u>BOARD CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Kampani shared with the Board that she and Dr. DelVento attended the District of Columbia Veterinary Medical Association (DCVMA) meeting.• Dr. DelVento weighed in and stated that a few of the discussion were surrounding Veterinary Client Patient Relationship (VCPR) and the Critical Role of Animal Science Research in Food Security and Sustainability, those laws are currently being put forward by DCVMA.• He also stated that he informed committee members of DCVMA that the DC Board of Veterinary Medicine is currently revising their regulations and he would share with the Board some of the concerns that there are being faced with. However, food issues in animals are	ANK



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	not of concern, so far within the DC veterinary community.	
OS-0430-07	<u>COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• None	
OS-0430-08	<u>Housekeeping</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Board will hold their next regular scheduled meeting on Thursday, May 21, 2015 attentively.• The 2015 AAVSB Annual Meeting and Conference will be held in Wisconsin, Milwaukee September 17-19 2015.	VDV
OS-0430-09 ALL	<u>APPROVAL OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u> <p>Consideration of the March 19, 2015, open session meeting minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Motion: The Board moved to approve the March 19, 2015, open session meeting minutes as written. <p>Seconded: Passed: Unanimously</p>	AS
OS-0430-10 ALL	<u>Open Session Consent Agenda</u> <p>There are no Consent Agenda Items.</p>	
OS-0430-11	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>"DC Health Professional Magazine"</u>• <u>Dr. DelVento will lead this discussion</u>• Dr. DelVento shared with the Board that the agency has a new Director and she is implementing a lot of new things in which will be an asset for this agency and the public. Her goal is to move the department towards being more transparent.	
OS-0430-12	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Update information from AAVSB-FYI</u>• <u>Informational sheet on Veterinary Continuing Education Tracking(VCET)</u>	



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OS-0430-13 LL/DLL AG	<u>Subcommittee Updates</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Veterinarian –Tech Subcommittee</u>• Ms. LaFontaine (Chair) stated that she projects that the vet-technician subcommittee regulation revisions should be completed by the latter part of spring. Once completed Ms. LaFontaine will also lead up the Euthanasia Technician subcommittee.• Ms. LaFontaine also shared with the Board that she attended the Animal Fair Expo and there was a big turnout. One of the main conversations was surrounding adoption moving and moving forward there will be a lot of diversity.• <u>Regulations Subcommittee</u>• Dr. Leanne Lipton (Chair) stated that we (committee members) need to be thorough and expansive while promulgating the new regulations. It will include specific, appropriate terms.	
OS-0430-14 ALL	<u>Reading of Open Session Motions</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Open Session meeting adjourned at 11:00am	AS
	<p>This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting, and pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b), and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will now move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting.</p>	